

SEPTEMBER 2024

VOTER SERVICES



August Highlights

"Nerds Unite!

On Tuesday, August 27th Sarah Peacock



going forward." More about Nerds was the headlining speaker, presenting National Popular Vote (NPV) information to a room of about 100 Nerds.

Yes, Nerd Night is a monthly event. Nerd Nite Bosses Brandi, Cary, Dawn, and Gerni are focused on engaging speakers on a range of political, environmental, and cultural topics.

LWVSPA members Amy Keith, Lindsay Grove, and Susie Paterson were in attendance. Sarah said, "I hope that more League presenters can engage 'The Nerds'

UPCOMING EVENTS



Yes on 4! Neighborhood Canvass Live Oak Neighborhood

Wednesday, September 4 5:30 – 7:30 pm EDT **REGISTER**

Yes on 4! Neighborhood Canvass - Bayway Area Saturday, September 14 10 am – 12 pm EDT REGISTER







JOIN US FOR OUR PARENT ADVOCACY LEAGUE MEETING!

Sunday, September 15th 8:30 to 10:30 AM

Run+Play Kids Cafe 3950 Central Ave, St. Pete FL 33711



Sue Castleman will be sharing info on our Education Action Team. Come learn about the league, how to get involved, meet other parent advocates, and bring your little ones!

Please register in advance. League members are free. Prospective league members must pay the Run+Play admission fee.

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The Pinellas County Schools Referendum is on the November 2024 Ballot <u>LEARN MORE</u>





Sept. Cocktails & Conversation Tuesday, Sept. 17 Sesh

2221 4th St. N 5:30-7 pm

Have a beverage and a bite, meet some new members, and catch up with friends. Plenty of parking.



LWVSPA New Member Orientation

Wed, Sep 18 @ 5:45 PM - 6:45 PM Allendale United Methodist Church 3803 Haines Rd N, St. Petersburg, FL 33703

As one of the most active advocacy and policy education groups in Pinellas County, the League of Women Voters' current issues include voter engagement, education, and protection; environmental sustainability; social justice; reproductive rights; public schools/education; and the National Popular Vote. We hope everyone finds what interests them and gets involved as expediently as possible.

New Member Orientation is designed to orient folks who are curious about the League and those who've been members for less than a year.

** Childcare will be offered in the Allendale nursery. If you need this service, indicate the names and ages of your children upon registration.**

RSVP

A WORD FROM THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE



I am so impressed with how our League of well over 400 members has blossomed. We have been able to attract amazing members like you who have brought excitement and enthusiasm and have continued to invigorate our membership. It speaks to the success of having a united leadership group that intentionally works together to achieve the best outcomes for our League.

The Board is the "head" of our League. They have multiple responsibilities and are accountable for everything the League does (or doesn't) do while balancing the most pressing local issues with those identified by the National League.

Becoming a board member may sound like a "scary" proposition to some, and yes, it comes with expectations of serious participation and commitment, but in return you gain a sense of accomplishment, increase your confidence and learn leadership skills that easily translate into other areas of your life.

If you consider yourself a team player and problem solver, if you can make decisions and follow through, and you identify with the core principles of the LWV, you have the potential to be one of our future leaders.

Our dedicated leaders need you to follow their example, to maintain the momentum we have achieved through our commitment and passion in addressing important issues. The elections will be over whatever the outcome, and our work continues.

Recent history has shown us that voter education and election protection

continue to be as important now as they were one hundred years ago. With that in mind, the new League year starts next May, and I urge you to take some time to seriously consider what leadership role you could see yourself stepping up to in the coming year.

To find out more about leadership positions, please contact Nominating Committee Chair Beate Marston at beatemarston654@gmail

DONOR THANK YOU!

Thank you to the following who donated to the League of Women Voters of the St. Petersburg Area in August

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Amy Keith & Achim Apweiler Kate Bird Maureen Dobiesz Karen Lieberman & Margie Green Judith Owen & Chuck Dangar Janene & Sheldon Silver Sara Wallace

FINANCE TIP FROM AVA



SEPTEMBER TIP:

Women tend to live longer retirements, so it's important to make sure the numbers align with that longer lifespan. Do you have enough to thrive during retirement? Reach out to discuss.

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